(c) Measures for providing protection to Indian industries include;

— 15 industries are under licensing on strategic, safety and environmental grounds.

— 6 areas viz. Atomic energy, coal and lignite, Defence products, Mineral oils, Minerals specified in the Automic Energy Order, 1953, railways transport are reserved for production in the Public Sector.

— Foreign investment is allowed on selective basis. Automatic approval of foreign investment upto 51 per cent is permitted for 35 priority industries. Foreign equity in other cases is determined on case by case basis, except for certain concessions for the Non-Resident Indians and the Foreign Institutional Investors.

— Several reforms have been taken in the spheres of trade, industry, financial and public sectors to enhance efficiency, productivity and competitiveness of Indian industries.

Introduction of Paging Service in AIR

2090. SHRI BHAGABAN MAJHI : Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have a proposal to introduce paging services;

(b) whether his Ministry has sent necessary direction to AIR in this regard;

(c) if so the steps taken by the All India Radio in this regard; and

(d) the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI K. P. SINGH DEO) : (a) to (d) Yes, Sir. All India Radio has selected five Indian companies for operating a radio paging service using its FM transmitters in the following cities :

Allahabad, Bareilly, Bhopal, Calcutta, Cochin, Delhi, Hyderabad, Indore, Jalandhar, Madras, Mumbai, Nagpur, Patna, Pune, Rourkela, Surat and Tirupati.

The service is expected to become operational in January, 1995.

Issuance of order by External Services Division, AIR

2091. SHRI K. R. MALKANI : Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that on 15th September, 1994 the External Services Division, All India Radio issued the office order that it has been decided that with effect from Sunday the 2nd October, 1994 each and every transmission of "External Services Division", irrespective of language will commence with the words "Vande Mataram" and close with the words "Jai Hind";

(b) whether it is also a fact that its order dated 1st October, 1994 by the same authority on the same subject said "It has been decided to keep this decision in abeyance till further orders"; and

(c) if so, the reasons for the reversal of a patriotic order?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI K. P. SINGH DEO) : (a) and (b) Yes, Sir.

(c) The decision to maintain status-quo was taken by All India Radio after a review was conducted.

Air Station at Sibsagar, Assam

2092. SHRI BHADRESHWAR GOHAIN : Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state :

(a) what are the new Radio Stations which are scheduled to be inaugurated during the next financial year; and

(b) what is the present position of the proposed Low Power Radio Station at Sibsagar in Assam?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI K. P. SINGH DEO) : (a) As given in the enclosed Statement (*See* below).

(b) There is no proposal to set up a radio Station at Sibsagar in Assam, as the entire district of Sibsagar is covered by the 200 KW MW High Power Transmitter at Dibrugarh. Besides, 50 KW SW Transmitter at Guwahati is also providing support service to the whole district.

Statement

List of New Radio Stations Scheduled to be Commissioned during the next Financial Year (upto 31-3-96)

State	S. No.	Place
Arunachal Pradesh	1.	Ziro
Assam	2.	Diphu